to procedure laid down in the scheme. The fund is already administered by a General Committee constituted under the scheme.

During 1985-86, financial assistance from the fund was given in 9 cases to eligible sportspersons and in 2 cases to the families of the deceased sportspersons.

Removal of Railway drivers posted at Tundla and Kanpur

1115. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 834 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 4th March, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some drivers of the electric train of Northern Railway posted at Tundla and Kanpur were removed from service since 1982;

(b) if so, the number of drivers suspended with reasons in each case;

(c) whether Government propose to reinstate all such suspended drivers on unconditional apology tendered by them;

(d) if so, by when they are likely to be re-instated; and

(e) if not, the manner in which Government propose to re-consider the cases of such drivers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Expansion of Vayudoot services in West Bengal

1116. SHRI DEBENDRA NATH BARMAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to connect some more places of West Bengal by Vayudoot;

(b) if so, the names of those places and when these are likely to be connected; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) At present, Vayudoot has no such proposal.

(c) Constraints of aircraft capacity and paucity of financial resources do not permit inclusion of new stations in the immediate expansion programme of Vayudoot.

Diversion of Air India Flights to Calcutta

1117. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to divert some Air India flights to Calcutta from Delhi and Bombay;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The existing services are considered adequate.

Passengers travelled by A. I.

1118. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state the number of passengers travelled by Air India from different places during the last three years domestic as well as abroad, year-wise and placewise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.